

Amendments to the Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A composition comprising:
at least 10% (w/v) ascorbic acid;
~~an aminosugar approximately 10% to 25% (w/v) glucosamine;~~ and
water, wherein the composition has a pH of about 3.5 to about 4.1.
- 2-5. (Canceled)
6. (Currently Amended) The composition of claim 1, wherein the ascorbic acid is at about 15% to about 25% (w/v) of the composition ~~further comprising monodehydroascorbic acid.~~
7. (Currently Amended) The composition of claim 1, wherein the ascorbic acid is at about 15% (w/v) of the composition ~~further comprising an administration form suitable for topical administration.~~
- 8-14. (Canceled)
15. (Original) The composition of claim 1, wherein the water is distilled or deionized water.
16. (Canceled)
17. (Canceled)
18. (Currently Amended) A method of treating rosacea or acne ~~other inflammatory skin affliction~~, the method comprising topically applying to the ~~afflicted skin a~~ of a human afflicted with

rosacea or acne an effective amount of the composition of claim 1 comprising at least 5.0% (w/v) pre-treated ascorbic acid; at least 10% (w/v) glucosamine or other anti-inflammatory aminosugar; and water, wherein the composition has a pH of 3.5 to 4.1.

19-23. (Canceled)

24. (New) The composition of claim 1, wherein the composition is made by the method comprising the steps of:

dissolving ascorbic acid in water at a temperature of between about 60°C to about 90°C to provide an ascorbic acid solution of at least 20% (w/v);

cooling the ascorbic solution to below about 40°C;

adjusting the pH of the cooled ascorbic acid solution to about 3.8 to about 4.0 to provide a pH-adjusted mixture; and

admixing the pH-adjusted mixture and glucosamine, wherein the glucosamine is in an amount such that when the amount of ascorbic is at least 10% (w/v) of the composition, the amount of glucosamine is approximately 10% to 25% (w/v) of the composition and the pH of the composition is about 3.5 to about 4.1.

25. (New) A composition having a pH of about 3.5 to about 4.1 and comprising water, approximately 10% to 25% (w/v) glucosamine and at least 10% (w/v) ascorbic acid, wherein at least 10% (w/v) of the ascorbic acid is pretreated according to the method comprising the steps of:

dissolving ascorbic acid in water at a temperature of between about 60°C to about 90°C to provide an ascorbic acid solution of at least 20% (w/v); and

cooling the ascorbic solution to below about 40°C.

26. (New) The composition of claim 25, wherein the composition is made by the method comprising the steps of:

- a) adjusting the pH of a mixture comprising water and the pretreated ascorbic acid to about 3.8 to about 4.0 to provide a pH-adjusted mixture; and
- b) admixing the pH-adjusted mixture and the glucosamine.

27. (New) A method for treating rosacea or acne, the method comprising topically applying to the skin of a human afflicted with rosacea or acne an effective amount of the composition of claim 25.